

REMARKS

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I. Claim(s) 7-9 and 12 drawn to a method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of carcinoma comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of an agent which interacts with or modulates the expression or activity of a KIAA0659 polypeptide.

Group II. Claim(s) 10-11, drawn to a method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of carcinoma comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising a KIAA0659 polypeptide.

Group III. Claim(s) 13, 14, 24 and 25, drawn to a method of screening for anti-carcinoma agents that *interact* with a KIAA0659 polypeptide.

Group IV. Claim(s) 15-17, drawn to a method of screening for anti-carcinoma agents that *modulate* the expression or activity of a KIAA0659 polypeptide.

Group V. Claim(s) 18, drawn to an agent identified by the method of Group III which interacts with or causes the expression or activity of KIAA0659 to change.

Group VI. Claim(s) 19-23, drawn to a method of screening for and/or diagnosis or prognosis of carcinoma in a subject, and/or monitoring the effectiveness of carcinoma therapy.

Group VII. Claim(s) 26, drawn to a diagnostic kit comprising a capture reagent specific for a KIAA0659 polypeptide, reagents and instructions for use.

Responsive to the Requirement for restriction, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, without traverse, Claim(s) 7-9 and 12 drawn to a method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of carcinoma comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of an agent which interacts with or modulates the expression or activity of a KIAA0659 polypeptide.

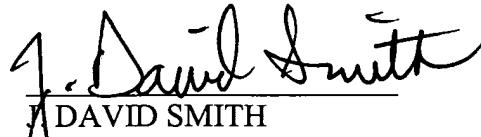
No fees are believed to be necessitated by the foregoing Response. However, should this be erroneous, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or credit any overages.

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In view of the above, an early action on the merits of the Claims is courteously solicited.

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